

Department of Human Resources

Promotional Exam Announcement

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P-74815 Police Sergeant

Application Fee: \$25.00

Examination Date: June 14, 2003

Closing Date for Filing: May 7, 2003

Salary: \$62,000 annually

Employment Opportunities: The results of this exam may be used to fill vacancies at the Fairport Police

Department, which may occur during the life of the eligible list.

Minimum Qualifications:

Candidates must be permanently employed in the competitive class in the **Village of Fairport** and must have served continuously on a permanent basis for **thirty-six (36) months** holding the position of **Police Officer** immediately preceding the date of the written test.

Any person, otherwise meeting the requirements for an examination, who was laid off from an agency for which the examination is being held, and whose name is presently on a preferred list is eligible to compete in the examination. When completing the application, such person should be sure to indicate his/her present employment and/or the title and location of his/her last permanent employment in the municipality.

Fees:

- ❖ A \$25.00 **Non-refundable** Application Fee for each examination for which you apply is to be paid with your application, unless the fee is waived for that examination.
- Make check or money order payable to: Monroe County Director of Finance
- ❖ Write your SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER AND EXAM NUMBER(S) ON YOUR CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.

Be sure to compare your qualifications carefully with the requirements listed and file only for those examinations for which you clearly qualify and intend to take. We cannot prescreen applications submitted without the fee. No refunds will be made if your application is disapproved or you fail to appear for the test. There is a \$15.00 charge for returned checks. We do not accept cash.

Exception to Fee Requirement:

An exception to the application fee will be made only for persons receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments or public assistance, provided Foster Care or certified as Workforce Investment Act (WIA) eligible through a state or local social service agency, and for those who are unemployed and primarily responsible for the support of a household. Individuals wishing to claim this waiver of fee must complete an application fee waiver request located

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on the last page of the application. Such claims are subject to later verification and, if not supported by appropriate documentation are grounds for barring appointment.

Description of Duties:

This is a first-line supervisory position in a Police Department of a town or village which includes directing the daily field activities of uniformed and plainclothes officers through the daily assignment of duties, transmission of orders, evaluation of field performance and training of subordinate law enforcement staff. This employee works under general supervision from a Police Lieutenant or other higher-ranking officer. Direct supervision is exercised over uniformed and plainclothes officers.

Scope of Examination:

A multiple-choice written test will cover knowledge, skills and/or abilities in such areas as:

1. Law Enforcement Methods and Practices

These questions test for knowledge of accepted police methods and practices and/or their application to situations in the police field. The questions are a sampling of the knowledge that police personnel may be required to possess in the course of their day-to-day work-related activities.

New York State Laws

These questions test for knowledge of the laws in effect on July 1, 2003 that law enforcement personnel may encounter in the course of their day-to-day work-related activities. The questions are a sampling of job-related sections of the Penal Law, Criminal Procedure Law, Vehicle and Traffic Law, Family Court Act and other laws relevant to law enforcement in New York State.

3. Supervision

These questions test for knowledge of the principles and practices employed in planning, organizing and controlling the activities of a work unit toward predetermined objectives. The concepts covered, usually in a situational question format, include such topics as assigning and reviewing work, evaluating performance, maintaining work standards, motivating and developing subordinates, implementing procedural change, increasing efficiency; and dealing with problems of absenteeism, morale and discipline.

4. Understanding and interpreting written material

These questions test how well you comprehend written material. You will be provided with brief reading selections and will be asked questions about the selections. All the information required to answer the questions will be presented in the selections; you will not be required to have any special knowledge relating to the subject areas of the selections.

5. Preparing written material in a police setting

These questions test for the ability to prepare the types of reports that police personnel write. Some questions test for the ability to present information clearly and accurately. They consist of restatements of information given in note form. You must choose the best version from each set of four choices. Other questions test for the ability to organize paragraphs. They consist of paragraphs with their sentences out of order. For each of the paragraphs you must choose, from four suggestions, the best order for the sentences.

P.E.R.C. Statement

The final rating key for this examination will be established by the State Civil Service Commission prior to the testing date, upon recommendation of a committee of police experts who will review all the questions for appropriateness and accuracy. There will be no review of the questions by candidates. This committee was selected with the assistance

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of, and the endorsement by, the Police Conference of New York, Inc., the Metropolitan Police Conference of New York State, Inc. and the New York State Association of Chiefs of Police, Inc.

Calculators and Reference Materials:

Most civil service written tests do not require the use of a calculator or slide rule. However, the use of calculators is **PROHIBITED** for this exam. You may not bring books or other reference materials.

This written examination is being prepared and rated in accordance with Section 23(2) of the Civil Service Law. The provisions of the New York State Civil Service Law, Rules and Regulations dealing with the preparation and rating of examinations, as well as establishment and certification of eligible lists for positions in the classified service will apply to this examination.

Applications:

Applications may be obtained at the address or web-site indicated at the bottom of this page and must be postmarked or filed in the Monroe County Department of Human Resources by the closing date for filing for this examination.

Candidates Must Record the Exam Number and Title on the Application.

Seniority:

Seniority points will be added to the score of every passing candidate at the rate of one (1) point for each appropriate five (5) year period for each year of continuous permanent service calculated to the date of original entry in the permanent classified service in accordance with the following schedule.

Less than 1 year	0 Points
1 year up to 6 years	1 Point
Over 6 years up to 11 years	2 Points
Over 11 years up to 16 years	
Over 16 years up to 21 years	
Over 21 years up to 26 years	

Seniority points will be calculated at the time of examination.

Certifications and Appointments:

The eligible list resulting from this examination will be established in accordance with the final earned numerical rating of passing candidates regardless of residence.

Special Requirement for Appointment in School Districts and BOCES:

Per Chapter 180 of the Laws of 2000, and by Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, to be employed in a position designated by a school district or BOCES as involving direct contact with students, a clearance for employment from the State Education Department is required.

Veteran's Credits:

Veterans entitled to and wishing to claim additional points must file in the Monroe County Department of Human Resources an Application for Veteran's Credits (VC-1) form, and a copy of their military discharge papers (DD-214). Disabled veterans must also file two (2) copies of an Authorization for Veteran's Disability Record (VC-4) with the Veteran's Administration. These forms are available at the Monroe County Department of Human Resources and must be filed within thirty (30) days of the examination date. No credit may be added after the eligible list has been established.

Candidates currently on active duty may apply within thirty (30) days of the examination. Upon discharge, candidates must submit a copy of their military discharge papers (DD-214). Any extra points will be applied upon our receipt of the discharge papers.

Special Arrangements for Examination:

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If you need an alternate test date because you are a Religious Observer [for religious reasons, cannot be tested on date of examination(s)] or if you have a disability that requires special accommodations for you to participate in an examination, you must notify us at the address or telephone numbers listed on the front page of this announcement by the application deadline. Indicate your request on the front of your application for each exam, and under separate cover submit a statement outlining the reason for your request, the exam number(s) and title(s), and attach supporting documentation.

Active Military Members:

Special testing arrangements may be available to applicants who are active military members. For further information contact the Monroe County Department of Human Resources before submitting an application.

Multiple Exam Takers:

Persons also applying for examinations offered by the City of Rochester and/or New York State Civil Service Commission held on the same date, must complete a crossfiler form, available from the Monroe County Department of Human Resources, which will provide for special arrangements. Arrangements must be made to take **ALL** examinations at **ONE** test site. Unless this form is filed with the Monroe County Department of Human Resources two (2) weeks prior to the exam date, we cannot ensure that such arrangements will be made. If you are taking multiple exams on the same date with Monroe County Civil Service Commission only, you do not have to file a crossfiler form.

Candidates taking more than one (1) exam in different exam series will be allowed the specified length of time for each exam, up to a maximum of eight (8) hours. Example: If you are taking one (1) exam which allows six (6) hours, and another exam in a different series which allows four (4) hours, you must complete both tests in eight (8) hours, but you can spend no more time on each exam than the time allotted for that exam.

Admission to Examination:

All applications will be reviewed after the "Closing Date for Filing" listed on the front page of this announcement. If there is a problem with your application, you will be notified in writing and given an opportunity to submit additional information to support your application. If there are no problems with your application, you will be sent an admission notice approximately one week before the exam date. If you have not received your admission notice to appear for the examination **three days** before the date of the exam, call the Monroe County Department of Human Resources at 428-5550.

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